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This report contains the results from the quarterly *Milk Production Report*. The data are also posted on our Web site at http://www.nass.usda.gov/la. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

Second Quarter Milk Production Down 3 Percent

Louisiana milk production during the April-June 2014 quarter was 56 million pounds, down 3 percent from the same period in 2013 and down 3 percent from the January-March 2014 quarter. The average number of milk cows on farms during the quarter was 15,000 head, unchanged from the previous quarter.

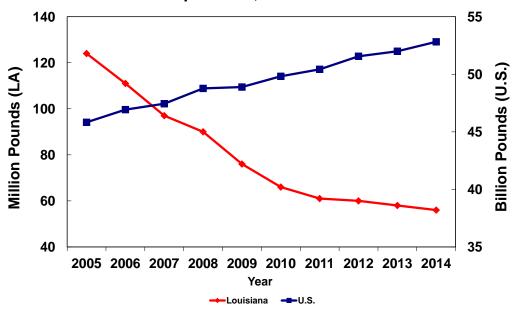
Nationally, the number of milk cows increased slightly from the previous quarter. Milk production increased from the previous year and the previous quarter.

Milk Cows and Production by Quarter, Louisiana, and U.S. 2012-2014

Item/Period	Louisiana				United States			
	2012	2013	2014	% Change	2012	2013	2014	% Change
Milk Cows ¹	Thousand Head			from '13	Thousand Head			from '13
1 st Quarter, January - March	18.0	3	15.0	-	9,257	3	9,214	-
2 nd Quarter, April - June	18.0	3	15.0	-	9,259	3	9,253	-
3 rd Quarter, July - September	17.0	15.0		-	9,211	9,229		-
4 th Quarter, October - December	16.0	15.0		-	9,203	9,201		-
Milk Production ²		Million Pounds				Million Pounds		
1 st Quarter, January - March	68	60	58	-3.3	51,105	50,545	51,046	1.0
2 nd Quarter, April - June	60	58	56	-3.4	51,562	51,997	52,817	1.6
3 rd Quarter, July - September	45	42		-	48,727	49,408		-
4 th Quarter, October - December	49	46		-	49,143	49,268		-

¹ Average number for the period includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

Milk Production: Louisiana and U.S. April-June, 2005-2014



² Excludes milk nursed by calves.

³ Survey was not conducted in April and July.